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# ALASKA DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

## DIVISION OF COMMERCIAL FISHERIES

### NEWS RELEASE



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#### **SOUTHEAST ALASKA SALMON PURSE SEINE FISHERY ANNOUNCEMENT**

Sitka. . . The Alaska Department of Fish and Game announced today that the following areas will be open to purse seining during the times and in the areas listed below:

##### District 1

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 21, 2013:**

Section 1-F: will be open **south of the northernmost tip of Cone Point located at 55°14.91' N. latitude with the following restrictions:**

Boca de Quadra: will be closed east of a line from Quadra Point to Kah Shakes Point;

Nichols Passage: will be closed north of 55°07.74' N. latitude (the southernmost tip of Dall Head).

##### District 2

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 21, 2013:**

District 2: **will be open south of Windy Point located at 55°12.77' N. latitude with the following restrictions:**

Moira Sound: will be closed west of the easternmost entrance of Menefee Anchorage located at 132°00.35' W. longitude;

Cholmondeley Sound and contiguous waters: all waters will be closed.

##### District 3

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 21, 2013:**

Section 3-A: **will be open south of a line from the southernmost tip of Shipwreck Point, to the southernmost tip of Coning Point, to the southernmost tip of Datzkoo Point, with the following restriction:**

**Klakas Inlet, Hunter Bay, and contiguous waters:** will be closed in all waters north and east of a line running from a point near Ruth Cutoff located at 54°54.40' N. latitude, 132°24.77' W. longitude, to the southernmost tip of Klakas Island, to a point at 54°49.68' N. latitude, 132°20.50' W. longitude (located approximately one-half nautical mile east of Guide Rock).

**Section 3-B:** will be open west of a line from Cape Lynch to the northernmost tip of Point Animas to the southernmost tip of Point Arboleda.

#### District 4

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Sunday, July 21, 2013:**

District 4: **will be open.**

#### District 5

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 21, 2013:**

Shakan Bay: will be open east of the longitude of Station Island Light.

#### District 7

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 21, 2013:**

Section 7-A: will be open south of the latitude of Point Warde.

#### District 9

**The following area will be open to purse seining from 5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 21, 2013:**

**Section 9-A:** will be open north of 56°50.29' N. latitude (the southern entrance to Red Bluff Bay) with the following restriction:

**Red Bluff Bay:** will be closed west of 134°43.28' W. longitude.

#### District 10

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 21, 2013:**

District 10: will be open with the following restrictions:

Frederick Sound: will be closed east of a line from Cape Fanshaw Light to Pinta Point;

Pybus Bay: will be closed north of the latitude of Point Pybus.

#### District 12

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 21, 2013:**

Section 12-A: will be open in the following areas:

Admiralty Island shoreline: will be open within two nautical miles of the Admiralty Island shoreline south of Point Marsden at 58°03.40' N. latitude and north of Point Hepburn at 57°56.21' N. latitude;

Chichagof Island Shoreline: will be open within two nautical miles of the Chichagof Island shoreline (including the waters of Tenakee Inlet and Freshwater Bay to normal markers) north of Point Hayes with the following restriction:

Basket Bay Shoreline: will be closed south of the latitude of a regulatory marker at 57°41.65' N. latitude and north of the latitude of a regulatory marker at 57°37.91' N. latitude.

Kelp Bay and Catherine Island shoreline: will be open within two nautical miles of the Section 13-C boundary, Baranof Island, and Catherine Island north of South Point at 57°16.28' N. latitude (except that all waters of The Basin will be open) and south of Point Hayes **with the following restrictions**:

Middle Arm: will be closed west of 134°58.90' W. longitude;

South Arm: will be closed southwest of a line from 57°18.55' N. latitude, 134°59.19' W. longitude, to 57°18.08' N. latitude, 134°58.80' W. longitude.

Hidden Falls Terminal Harvest Area: will be open in the waters of Chatham Strait within the boundaries of a line from South Point, as indicated by a marker at 57°16.28' N. latitude, 134°51.78' W. longitude to a point offshore at 57°16.28' N. latitude, 134°48.00' W. longitude, then running south to a point offshore at 57°06.76' N. latitude, 134°43.00' W. longitude, then due west to a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°06.76' N. latitude, 134°47.50' W. longitude with the following restriction:

Kasnyku Bay: will be closed west of a line from a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°13.16' N. latitude, 134°51.86' W. longitude, to 57°13.08' N. latitude, 134°52.02' W. longitude, to 57°13.00' N. latitude, 134°51.93' W. longitude, to 57°12.88' N. latitude, 134°52.11' W. longitude.

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m., Sunday, July 21, to 8:00 p.m. Monday July 22, 2013**:

Section 12-A: will be open in the following areas:

**Tenakee Inlet: will be open west of a line from the easternmost tip of East Point, to South Passage Point Light, to South Passage Point, and east of 135°27.58' W. longitude (normal markers).**

### District 13

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 21, 2013**:

Section 13-A: will be open in the following areas:

**Salisbury Sound and Peril Strait: will be open east of the longitude of Kalinin Point, south of the latitude of Suloia Point Light, and north of the latitude of Scraggy Point with the following restriction:**

Fish Bay: will be closed east of 135°37.62' W. longitude.

Portlock Harbor, Ogden Passage, Smooth Channel, Black Bay, Khaz Bay, Lake Anna, Sisters Lake, and Slocum Arm: will be open east of a line from Khaz Point, to Ninefoot Shoal Light, to the southernmost tip of Herbert Graves Island, to Point Hogan, to the light located on the southern tip of Hill Island, and then due north to the Chichagof Island shoreline with the following restrictions:

Black Bay: will be closed east of 136°09.20' W. longitude;

Klag Bay: will be closed north of Rose Point;

Ford Arm: will be closed north and east of a line from Trap Point to a point on the Chichagof Island shoreline at 57°32.86' N. latitude, 136°00.13' W. longitude.

Section 13-B: will be open in the following areas:

Sitka Sound and contiguous waters: will be open north of a line from Inner Point on the Kruzof Island shoreline at 57°05.50' N. latitude, 135°34.28' W. longitude, to Makhnati Rock Light, to Surf Rock Light, to Simpson Rock Light, to Tsaritsa Rock Light, to Silver Point with the following restrictions:

Silver Bay: will be closed east of a line from Entry Point Light to a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°01.58' N. latitude, 135°14.58' W. longitude;

Camp Coogan Bay: will be closed east of 135°14.78' W. longitude;

Crescent Bay: will be closed in all waters of Crescent Bay enclosed by a line from the east end of the John O'Connell Bridge, to The Twins Light, to the southernmost tip of Guertin Island;

Starrigavin Bay: will be closed east of a line from Harbor Point to a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°08.50' N. latitude, 135°22.63' W. longitude;

Olga Strait: will be closed north of 57°11.00' N. latitude and south of the latitude of Creek Point;

Nakwasina Sound: will be closed northeast of a line from a point on the Baranof Island shoreline at 57°10.58' N. latitude, 135°24.81' W. longitude, to the easternmost tip of Crosswise Island, to the northernmost tip of Beehive Island, then due west to the Halleck Island shoreline.

**West Crawfish Inlet and Shamrock Bay: will be open east of 135°16.00' W. longitude and south of 56°50.00' N. latitude.**

**Whale Bay: will be open east of 135°03.00' W. longitude with the following restrictions:**

**Small Arm: will be closed north of 56°38.30' N. latitude (entrance of Small Arm);**

**Great Arm: will be closed north of 56°41.10' N. latitude.**

**Redfish Bay will be open north of the latitude of the westernmost tip of One Tree Rock (normal markers).**

Section 13-C: will be open south of the latitude of the Point Benham Light with the following restrictions:

Saook Bay: will be closed west of a line from 57°26.25' N. latitude, 135°11.89' W. longitude to 57°26.71' N. latitude, 135°12.43' W. longitude;

Rodman Bay: all waters will be closed;

Sitkoh Bay and Florence Bay: will be closed north of a line from Point Craven to Point Hayes.

The following area will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m., Sunday, July 21 through 8:00 p.m., Monday, July 22, 2013.**

Section 13-A will be open in the following area:

Lisianski Inlet and Lisianski Strait: will be open south of a line from the northernmost tip of Soapstone Point to the westernmost tip of Column Point and in Lisianski Strait north of the latitude of Point Theodore with the following restrictions:

Lisianski Inlet: will be closed **between 57°54.54' N. latitude and 57°54.03' N. latitude (near Phonograph Creek) and then south of 57°52.68' N. latitude;**

Stag Bay: will be closed east of a line from 57°55.52' N. latitude, 136°21.47' W. longitude to 57°55.97' N. latitude, 136°21.53' W. longitude.

The following area will be open to purse seining **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., daily, from Monday, July 22 through Wednesday, July 24, 2013:**

Section 13-B: Redoubt Bay, Kanga Bay, and contiguous waters will be open east of 135°22.76' W. longitude (normal markers).

#### District 14

The following areas will be open to purse seining from **5:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m., Sunday, July 21, 2013:**

Section 14-B: will be open south of the latitude of Crist Point.

Section 14-C: will be open within two nautical miles of the Chichagof Island shoreline.

Chinook Salmon Landing Restrictions: For Kendrick Bay THA and fishing areas open outside of Terminal Harvest Areas, Chinook salmon 28 inches or greater in length may NOT be retained and sold. Chinook salmon greater than 21 inches and less than 28 inches may be retained but not sold. Chinook salmon 21 inches or less may be retained and sold. All Chinook salmon harvested in the Hidden Falls, Anita Bay, and Neets Bay THAs may be retained and sold. All Chinook salmon harvested in the Deep Inlet THA must be retained, must be reported on fish tickets, and may be sold.

Fishermen are reminded to review closed waters described in 5 AAC 33.350 when fishing in unfamiliar areas. Copies of the 2012-2015 Southeast Alaska and Yakutat Commercial Salmon Fishing Regulations are available free of charge from ADF&G offices.

Hidden Falls THA Information: On July 18, the average weight of chum salmon was 6.2 pounds and the sex ratio was 25% male. Chum salmon tax assessment remains in effect and includes the Kelp Bay/Catherine Island area – see the purse seine news release dated June 5, 2013 for additional information.

**If harvests continue to improve sufficiently after the Sunday opening, the next announcement could be issued on Monday, July 22, 2013, for a 39-hour opening on Wednesday-Thursday. Otherwise the next announcement will be on Tuesday, July 23, 2013.**

Copies of the “2013 Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Fishery Management Plan” may be obtained at department area offices listed below and can be downloaded on the department’s website at: [http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon\\_managementplans](http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=commercialbyareasoutheast.salmon_managementplans).

The Emergency Order corresponding with this news release is 1S3113.

**Southeast Alaska Purse Seine Harvest Estimates**  
**Statistical Week 29**  
**Preliminary Estimates compiled July 19, 2013**

Area	NUMBERS OF SALMON						Boats
	King	Red	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total	
District 1	0	3,600	4,000	490,000	15,000	512,600	61
District 2	0	1,600	1,100	195,000	21,000	218,700	14
Section 7-A	0	600	300	130,000	25,000	155,900	17
District 10	0	3,000	3,000	225,000	12,000	243,000	29
12-A Admiralty Island Shoreline	0	800	1,000	235,000	5,000	241,800	36
12-A Chichagof Island Shoreline	0	550	200	70,000	2,000	72,750	19
12-A Kelp Bay/Hidden Falls THA	60	260	700	150,000	47,000	198,020	20
13-A Lisianski	0	0	0	60,000	0	60,000	5
District 14	0	1,300	400	180,000	4,400	186,100	30
Amalga Harbor SHA	0	1,300	50	8,300	100,000	109,650	18
<b>Totals</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>13,010</b>	<b>10,750</b>	<b>1,743,300</b>	<b>231,400</b>	<b>1,998,520</b>	

Area	FISH PER BOAT					
	King	Red	Coho	Pink	Chum	Total
District 1	0	59	66	8,033	246	8,403
District 2	0	114	79	13,929	1,500	15,621
Section 7-A	0	35	18	7,647	1,471	9,171
District 10	0	103	103	7,759	414	8,379
12-A Admiralty Island Shoreline	0	22	28	6,528	139	6,717
12-A Chichagof Island Shoreline	0	29	11	3,684	105	3,829
12-A Kelp Bay/Hidden Falls THA	3	13	35	7,500	2,350	9,901
13-A Lisianski	0	0	0	12,000	0	12,000
District 14	0	43	13	6,000	147	6,203
Amalga Harbor SHA	0	72	3	461	5,556	6,092

District 5: no reported harvest.

12-A Tenakee Inlet: confidential.

Section 13-A Slocum: confidential.

Section 13-B Sitka Sound: insufficient harvest information.

Section 13-C: insufficient harvest information.

Redoubt Bay: confidential.

Anita Bay THA: 5,000 chums and 3,700 kings harvested to date.

Deep Inlet THA: insufficient harvest information.

Kendrick Bay THA: 30,000 chums harvested to date.

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